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VII.—A BILL TO FACILITATE THE WORKING OF CO-OPERATIVE LAND MORTGAGE BANKS IN THE PRESIDENCY OF MADRAS (BILL No. 5 OF 1933).

* The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" May I suggest, Sir, that, with your permission, the Bill might be taken up for consideration to-morrow in view of the fact that the sanction of the Government of India was received late last evening and also of the fact that the various amendments to the Bill were circulated to the Members only this morning? I believe that it will facilitate the work if time is given to Members till to-morrow."

Diwan Bahadur B. Muniswami Nayudu:—" Mr. President, Sir, it was announced in the papers that the Bill would not be brought forward during this meeting. It was also said that the Government of India would introduce a Bill of their own to facilitate the passing of this Bill in this Council and that at any rate the sanction of the Government of India had not been received. But this Bill has been put on the agenda and none of us have been able to give notice of amendments. I do not know, Sir, whether you will be willing to relax the rule of three days' notice and permit us to give notice of amendments now. It will be noticed, Sir, that while there are 34 clauses in the Bill, there are more than 34 amendments given notice of by the Hon. Minister himself. Some of them are of a far-reaching character. I only want, that the Hon. Minister, before he wants the Council to consider the Bill, should give us some time to go through his amendments and give notice of amendments ourselves."

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" Mr. President, Sir, I wish to point out that these amendments have been found to be necessary as a result of the discussions of the Select Committee. I do think that one day's time will be sufficient for the Hon. Member to consider these amendments and give notice of amendments of his own. There are 24 hours within which my hon. Friend can consider the Bill and give notice of amendments. If, in the meantime, he gives us any suggestions, I am prepared to consider them."

* The Hon. the President:—" I may inform the House that amendments will be received till this evening, otherwise there will be no time for roneoing and circulating them to Members."

Diwan Bahadur B. Muniswami Nayudu:—" Mr. President, Sir, if the Government want to go on with the Bill to-morrow and if you, Mr. President, are not prepared to extend the time for the receipt of amendments, we will abide by your decision and as far as possible, try to send our amendments before this evening. But as I have said before, the Government have given notice of 36 amendments while there are only 34 clauses in the Bill. Therefore, I hope, you will have no objection to consider our application to move further amendments to-morrow also, if necessary."

* The Hon. the President:—" I have already said that I have no objection to receive amendments even to-morrow morning, but the difficulty will be that, if amendments are not received sufficiently early in the office, there will be no time for roneoing them and circulating them

to Members. Because not only Members giving notice of amendments, but other Members also must have ample time to read the amendments and discuss them. Therefore, it is better that amendments are sent in even to-day and even if they are sent in at 6 o'clock in the evening, they will be received in the office.

" I think it is agreed that the Bill will be taken up to-morrow, and I decide accordingly."

NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

VIII.—THE MADRAS DEBT CONCILIATION BILL.

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Mr. President, Sir, I beg for leave to introduce the Madras Debt Conciliation Bill."

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—" I second it."

The motion was put and carried.

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" I introduce the Bill."

IX.—A BILL TO AMEND THE MADRAS HINDU RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENTS ACT, 1926 (BILL No. 3 OF 1934).

* Mr. K. KOTI REDDI:—" I beg to move that the Bill [a] to amend the Madras Hindu Religious Endowments Act, 1926 (Bill No. 3 of 1934), be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of the following Members:—

(1) Hon. the Chief Minister (The Hon. the Raja of Bobbili).
(2) Mr. E. Conran Smith.
(3) Rao Bahadur D. Krishnamurti.
(4) Rao Sahib V. Dharmalingam Pillai.
(5) Mr. A. Harischandrudu Nayudu.
(6) Mr. G. Ranganatha Mudaliyar.
(7) Mr. T. Narasa Reddi.
(8) Rao Bahadur C. Natesa Mudaliyar.
(9) Mr. R. Madanagopal Nayudu.
(10) Dr. P. Subbarayan.
(11) Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt.
(12) Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar.
(13) Rao Bahadur R. K. Venugopal Nayudu.
(14) Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar.
(15) Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar.
(16) The Mover (Mr. K. Koti Reddi).

" Mr. President, Sir, I do not think any long speech is necessary from me in order to commend this Bill to the acceptance of this House. Since the Bill is going to a Select Committee, I am sure whatever defects there may be in it, will be removed by the Select Committee.

" Sir, with regard to certain very important temples, schemes have been framed by the Court and by the Hindu Religious Endowments Board but when experience shows that changes are necessary in those schemes, they have to be referred back to courts and a lot of time is often

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